**Defendant Exhibit A** 

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- 1 term "engagement" at the company.
- 2 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 3 O. I want to show you what the court reporter
- 4 is marking as Exhibit 101.
- 5 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 101 was marked
- for identification.)
- 7 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 8 Q. Can you please take a look at Exhibit 101,
- 9 which upon your inspection, you'll see as the
- 10 company's 2014 annual report 10-K that was filed
- 11 with the SEC on March 2nd, 2015. I just ask you
- 12 generally if you recognize this document.
- 13 A. I understand that this document is the -- a
- 14 standard filing for any company in annual reporting.
- 15 Q. Okay. And -- and when you were at Twitter,
- 16 at least part of the time, it was a publicly traded
- 17 company and they filed annual reports such as this,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And you please turn to page 18 of
- 21 Exhibit 101. About a quarter ways down the page,
- there's some bold writing, "We have incurred
- 23 significant operating losses," and then there's a
- 24 paragraph under that. Do you see that?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And about halfway through that paragraph,
- 2 there's a sentence that reads, quote, "We believe
- 3 that our future revenue growth will depend on, among
- 4 other factors, our abilities to attract new users,
- 5 increase user engagement, and then it lists some
- 6 other factors. But would you agree that Twitter's
- 7 revenue growth was dependent in part on its ability
- 8 to attract new users and increase user engagement?
- 9 MS. GOODHART: Objection. It's vague;
- 10 incomplete hypothetical; lacks foundation.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Not necessarily. Our future
- 12 growth also depended on ad engagements, all the
- various demand drivers, and that was my primary job
- in making sure that we evaluated those demand
- 15 factors as well.
- 16 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 17 Q. But -- but you would agree that future
- 18 revenue growth depended on in part on Twitter's
- 19 ability to attract new users. Correct?
- 20 MS. GOODHART: I'm just going to object.
- 21 Counsel's not reading the entirety of the document
- 22 and leaving off "ad engagement, increase our brand
- 23 awareness, compete effectively, maximize our sales
- 24 efforts, demonstrate a positive return on
- 25 investments" --

- 1 active users over monthly active users.
- 2 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 3 Q. And would you describe that as a measure of
- 4 frequency of use?
- 5 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 6 THE WITNESS: When you mean [sic]
- 7 frequency, can you clarify "frequency"?
- 8 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 9 Q. Well, what do you mean? You give me a
- 10 def -- your definition of "frequency."
- 11 A. Frequency for me in my job as a vice
- 12 president of sales finance was a number of clicks on
- 13 ads for any period of time.
- Q. Would another measure of frequency be DAU
- 15 over MAU?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 17 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 18 O. That was used at Twitter in the 2014-2015
- 19 time frame?
- 20 A. In my job and what I did as a vice
- 21 president of sales finance, I did not look at
- 22 frequency in that way that you're describing.
- Q. Did others at Twitter look at DAU over MAU
- 24 as a measure of frequency?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.

- 1 THE WITNESS: I don't know what others
- 2 looked at.
- 3 MR. SAHAM: I'm going to show you what
- 4 we're marking as Exhibit 103.
- 5 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 103 was marked
- for identification.)
- 7 MR. SAHAM: For the record, Exhibit 103
- 8 bears Bates numbers Twitter Shen 00128248 through
- 9 249.
- 10 Q. And this is an e-mail that you received
- 11 from Anthony Noto on December 2nd, 2014. Is that
- 12 correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Take a minute to read it.
- 14 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 15 O. It's an e-mail. You received this from
- 16 Mr. Noto on December 2nd, 2014, correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question.
- 19 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. You received this e-mail with this one-page
- 21 attachment from Anthony Noto on December 2nd, 2014,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. Yes, it looks like my name is listed on the
- 24 "to" line of --
- 25 Q. And you --

- 1 A. -- this e-mail.
- Q. You received it as part of your job at
- 3 Twitter, correct?
- 4 A. I was head of sales finance during this
- 5 time.
- 6 O. And what's "an OKR"?
- 7 A. Objective and key results.
- 8 Q. And -- and what is that document at Twitter
- 9 in this time frame?
- 10 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 11 THE WITNESS: OKRs is not a document.
- 12 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 13 Q. Well, it says, "Attached is a draft of Q1
- 14 company OKRs." What's that?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Can you ask the question
- 17 again?
- 18 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 19 Q. I'm just wondering what's a -- what's an
- 20 OKR.
- 21 A. Objective and key result.
- Q. Okay. And then you're receiving a draft of
- 23 written-out objectives and -- and key results.
- 24 That's what the attachment is at least because it
- 25 says "Q1 2015 company OKRs," and Mr. Noto is

- 1 forwarding you a document that lists objectives and
- 2 key results? Is that fair?
- A. That is a second page of this e-mail.
- 4 Q. Okay. And the first objective states,
- 5 "Strengthen Twitter's core by increasing the number
- 6 of logged-in users, their engagement, and overall
- 7 content published on the platform, "correct?
- 8 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 9 THE WITNESS: I do see that is listed as
- 10 the first objective on the second page.
- 11 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 12 Q. And Comment 2 to that first objective says,
- "Yes, DAU over MAU will capture engagement,"
- 14 correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 16 THE WITNESS: I do read on the second page
- 17 of the e-mail, "Yes, DAU MAU will capture
- 18 engagement" is listed as a comment on the second
- 19 page of the e-mail.
- 20 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 21 Q. So -- so in this document that was sent to
- 22 you and others by the CFO of the company on
- 23 December 2nd, 2014, it reflects that the ratio of
- 24 DAU over MAU will capture engagement, correct?
- 25 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.

- 1 THE WITNESS: In the second page of the
- 2 e-mail, that is what the comment says.
- 3 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 4 Q. And this is a document, the objectives and
- 5 key results, that was sent to you by Anthony Noto
- 6 the CFO of Twitter on December 2nd, 2014, correct?
- 7 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes, this is a document that
- 9 is part of the e-mail that Anthony sent me.
- 10 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 11 O. And under this first objective about
- 12 strengthening the core by increasing the number of
- 13 logged-in users, their engagement, and overall
- 14 content published, the next line says "key results,"
- 15 correct?
- 16 MS. GOODHART: Objection. The document
- 17 speaks for itself; lacks foundation.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do see that in the
- 19 document.
- 20 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. And the first key results says "MAUs,"
- 22 monthly active users, correct?
- 23 A. I see that in the document.
- Q. And then the second key result says "DAU,"
- 25 or daily active users, correct?

- 1 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- THE WITNESS: I see "DAU" in the document.
- 3 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 4 Q. So this document that Mr. Noto sent to you
- 5 indicates that at least somebody at Twitter is of
- 6 the understanding that DA -- DAU over MAU will
- 7 capture engagement, correct?
- 8 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 9 THE WITNESS: I can't speak on behalf of
- 10 Anthony or the context of the question. Can you
- 11 clarify the question?
- 12 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 13 Q. The CFO of the company sent you this
- 14 document that says, "DAU over MAU will capture
- 15 engagement, correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 17 THE WITNESS: Anthony according to this
- 18 e-mail, attached this draft OKRs where it's listed
- 19 as a comment, "Yes, DAU over MAU will capture
- 20 engagement."
- 21 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. And did the OKRs affect compensation at
- 23 Twitter?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- THE WITNESS: It depends.

- 1 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. Do you recall that that was a component you
- 3 used in the metrics-driven model for forecasting
- 4 revenue in the 2014-2015 time frame?
- 5 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Can you clarify what you mean
- 7 by "metrics-driven model"?
- 8 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 9 Q. Well, do you recall there was a
- 10 metrics-driven model that you looked at in 2015 that
- 11 related to revenue?
- 12 A. There were very many metrics. I don't
- 13 recall exactly the one that you're asking about.
- 14 Q. All I'm asking is do you recall utilizing a
- 15 metrics-driven model to forecast revenue in the 2015
- 16 time frame.
- 17 A. I recall using demand-side metrics as well
- 18 as supply-side metrics analyses and models to
- 19 forecast revenue.
- Q. Do you recall who would have drafted
- 21 Mr. Noto's slides for the slide deck at analyst day?
- 22 A. I don't recall.
- 23 Q. Showing you what we're marking as
- 24 Plaintiff's Exhibit 106.
- 25 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 106 was marked

- for identification.)
- 2 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 3 Q. And you're welcome to look at all the
- 4 slides, but just -- just to -- to lay the
- 5 foundation, does this appear to be the final version
- of the financial overview slide decks from analyst
- 7 day that Mr. Noto used during his presentation?
- 8 A. I don't recall if this is the final
- 9 version.
- 10 Q. But the e-mail, the first page of
- 11 Exhibit 106 is from Helene Dina and it says,
- 12 "Attached is the final version of financial
- overview, and it's sent to Mr. Noto, yourself, and
- 14 others.
- 15 A. I don't recall this e-mail.
- 16 Q. Were you at analyst day?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Did you watch Mr. Noto give his
- 19 presentation?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Did he use a PowerPoint slide deck during
- 22 that presentation?
- 23 A. I don't know if it was PowerPoint, but he
- 24 used a presentation.
- Q. A slide presentation?

- 1 A. Slide presentation.
- Q. And you witnessed that personally.
- 3 A. Yes. I was at analyst day.
- 4 Q. And does Exhibit 106 appear to be the
- 5 slides -- the slide deck that Mr. Noto used at
- 6 analyst day?
- 7 A. It looks like the slide deck.
- 8 Q. And turning to -- there's these little
- 9 Bates numbers in the bottom right corner. Could you
- 10 turn to the last two, 15. It's about two-thirds of
- 11 the way through the deck. Are you with me, sir?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And this slide says, "Growth opportunity
- 14 frequency of use DAU over MAU ratio." Do you see
- 15 that?
- 16 A. Yes, I see that.
- 17 Q. So does it appear Mr. Noto communicated
- 18 publicly that DAU over MAU ratio was a measure of
- 19 frequency of use.
- 20 MS. GOODHART: Objection to form.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I see those words.
- 22 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. And you attended this presentation, sir,
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And you witnessed him use slides during
- 2 that presentation as well, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And the presentation was recorded, wasn't
- 5 it, sir?
- 6 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I don't remember it being
- 8 recorded.
- 9 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 10 Q. Do you -- does this refresh your
- 11 recollection that DAU over MAU ratio was a measure
- 12 of frequency of use at Twitter in the 2014-2015 time
- 13 frame?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 15 THE WITNESS: I see those words.
- 16 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 17 Q. Does -- do these words that are part of the
- 18 presentation made by Mr. Noto refresh your
- 19 recollection that Mr. Noto, the CFO of the company,
- 20 viewed frequency of use -- or strike that -- viewed
- 21 DAU over MAU ratio as a measure of frequency of use?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 23 THE WITNESS: I don't remember this slide.
- 24 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. I -- I asked you do you dispute that DAU

- 1 over MAU ratio is a measure of frequency of use.
- 2 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form. It's
- 3 argumentative. It's not what you asked him.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Can you clarify the
- 5 question --
- 6 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 7 Q. I asked -- I'm asking you, sir, if you
- 8 dispute that DAU over MAU ratio is a measure of
- 9 frequency of use.
- 10 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 11 THE WITNESS: I -- in my job in sales
- 12 finance, frequency -- I didn't -- I didn't measure
- or consider this specific ratio as frequency.
- 14 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 15 O. Do you believe that this slide was
- 16 misleading to investors by communicating that the
- 17 DAU over MAU ratio was a measure of frequency of
- 18 use?
- 19 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 20 THE WITNESS: I don't think anything
- 21 Anthony presented at analyst day was misleading.
- 22 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. So you would, then, agree by the cumulative
- or one of those properties that we learned in
- 25 geometry that the communication, quote, that "the

- 1 DAU over MAU ratio is a measure of frequency of
- 2 use, "that that's not misleading, that that's an
- 3 accurate assessment.
- 4 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I see those words.
- 6 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 7 Q. And you have no reason to believe that
- 8 Anthony Noto was attempting to be misleading when he
- 9 told investors that DAU over MAU ratio is a measure
- 10 of frequency of use.
- 11 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I don't think Anthony was
- 13 misleading in his presentation at analyst day.
- 14 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 15 O. Okay. So then the next slide there, he's
- 16 communicating that current top 20 market DAU over
- 17 MAU ratio is 48 percent, correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 19 THE WITNESS: I see those words.
- 20 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. And then there's a little arrow pointing
- 22 upwards saying "plus 3 percent." Do you see that?
- 23 A. I see that.
- Q. And that's a potential growth in the DAU
- 25 over MAU ratio?

- 1 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- THE WITNESS: I don't recall this slide.
- 3 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. But it is communicating that by a "plus 3"
- 5 and an upward and to the right arrow from 48 percent
- 6 to 51 percent that one growth opportunity for the
- 7 company was to grow the DAU over MAU ratio, correct?
- 8 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 9 THE WITNESS: I see those numbers --
- 10 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 11 O. And --
- 12 A. -- and I see the arrow.
- Q. And that's what is being communicated.
- 14 It's a growth opportunity growing DAU over MAU
- 15 ratio, correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 17 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question.
- 18 MR. SAHAM: Could you read it back, please.
- 19 (Record read by the reporter.)
- 20 THE WITNESS: In the prior slide, I see
- 21 those words.
- 22 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. So you'd agree Mr. Noto is communicating to
- 24 investors that it's a growth opportunity to grow the
- 25 DAU over MAU ratio, correct?

- 1 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form; lacks
- 2 foundation.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I don't recall Anthony using
- 4 this ratio as a growth opportunity.
- 5 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 6 Q. But the -- the heading of the slide on
- 7 Exhibit 106 Bates number 15, the heading of the
- 8 slide is "Growth Opportunity," correct?
- 9 A. I see those words.
- 10 Q. And the only growth opportunity being
- 11 discussed on this slide is DAU over MAU ratio,
- 12 correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 14 THE WITNESS: I see the slide.
- 15 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 16 Q. Turning the next page of Exhibit 106, Bates
- 17 number 16, the heading here is "Frequency,
- 18 increasing frequency of use as measured by DAU over
- 19 MAU may increase our revenue by .5 billion,"
- 20 correct? That's what the slide says?
- 21 A. I see those words.
- Q. So Mr. Noto is communicating that if the
- 23 DAU over MAU ratio is increased, it could lead to
- 24 greater revenue for the company, correct?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Lacks

- 1 foundation.
- 2 THE WITNESS: I don't recall this part of
- 3 the presentation.
- 4 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 5 Q. But that's what the slide says. It says
- 6 that "Increasing DAU over MAU may increase our
- 7 revenue, correct?
- 8 A. I see those words.
- 9 Q. And you supported Mr. Noto in creating
- 10 these slides as they related to revenue because that
- 11 was your job, right?
- MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 13 THE WITNESS: There were many slides that
- 14 my team and I supported in the data and analysis. I
- 15 don't recall this slide.
- 16 BY MR. SAHAM:
- 17 Q. But you did support Mr. Noto with respect
- 18 to revenue forecasting in the 2014-2015 time frame,
- 19 correct?
- 20 MS. GOODHART: Objection. Form.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I helped Anthony provide data
- 22 and analyses for supply-side and demand-side-driven
- 23 models and analyses.
- 24 BY MR. SAHAM:
- Q. And this slide is communicating that an

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